

The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

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The Honorable William P. Clark
 Assistant to the President for
 National Security Affairs
 The White House

Dear Bill,

In a meeting this morning with Bill Webster and Ed O'Malley of the FBI, and Bobby Inman and myself, we agreed to recommend a revision of National Security Study Directive 2-82 which would provide Presidential direction that the study be focused on the counterintelligence threat and the capabilities and resources needed to meet it. We are convinced that this focus is necessary to get a full, frank and expeditious identification of the problems, needs and opportunities for dealing with the present threat with maximum effectiveness.

We would all welcome a full review of the organizational options but we believe it more logical and even necessary to first assess the requirements, methodologies and capabilities which are needed and which can be developed to counter the threat and the resources needed to bring them into play. This could be followed, as a separate exercise, by a full review of the organizational structures which are needed to build, direct and employ the needed capabilities. Unless the task is approached in this way we believe there will be a strong tendency in the bureaucracy to assess the task and recommend on capabilities and resources in a manner significantly influenced by concern of the implications for the mission and authorities of the various components having counterintelligence responsibilities.

I am anxious and prepared to begin this undertaking immediately after the Easter recess and believe it will enormously increase the cooperation, effectiveness and speed with which it can be done if the Directive could be refocused as suggested here.

FBI, DoD and CIA have been tasked to do an amplified outline which Admiral Inman or his designee can go over with you or your designee during my trip.

Yours,

William J. Casey
 William J. Casey

cc: D/FBI
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 Assistant Director, Intelligence
 Division, FBI

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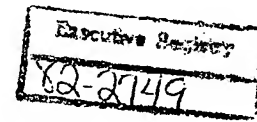
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MEMORANDUM FOR

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Executive Secretary
Central Intelligence Agency

SUBJECT: National Security Study Directive 2

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We have received the attached letter from the Department of Energy and have provided them with a copy of NSSD 2. As indicated in their letter, they are interested in participating in the NSSD 2 process.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Michael O. Wheeler".

Michael O. Wheeler
Staff Secretary

Attachment
Department of Energy
Letter, March 19, 1982

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Review on March 23, 1988

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Department of Energy
Washington, D.C. 20545

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Colonel Michael O. Wheeler
Staff Secretary
National Security Council
Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20506

Dear Colonel Wheeler:

In reviewing the draft "Hostile Intelligence Services Multidisciplinary Threat and U.S. Countermeasures -- A National Assessment", reference is made to National Security Study Directive (NSSD) 2-82, dated February 16, 1982. (C)

The Office of Safeguards and Security (OSS) is interested in participating in any follow-on activity relative to the National Assessment or NSSD-2. (C)

I would appreciate your providing a copy of NSSD 2-82 for our review. (U)

Sincerely,

Ralph E. Caudle
Director
Office of Safeguards and Security
Defense Programs

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